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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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Date of Interview: 25 September 2007.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1-38.

Identification of prior art discussed: Huebner (US Pat. 6,030,162).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: See Continuation Sheet.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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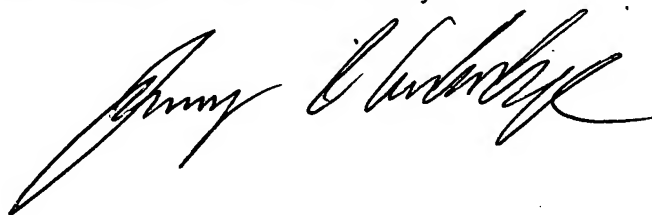
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Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The combination of different embodiments of the Huebner reference was discussed. It was generally agreed that what the Examiner was referring to as the compression engagement of the Huebner reference is not located on a distal end of the device, but rather the proximal end of the device. Also, it was generally agreed that the compression engagement of ref. 14 would not be capable of use with a screw with a head, as that found in ref. 21. Further search and/or consideration will be necessary.

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